Museum Universe Data File (MUDF) Documentation

This data file contains information about known museums in the United States. This data was generated in preparation for the upcoming Museums Count survey, which is intended to establish a comprehensive, reliable database about the size, distribution, and scope of the museum sector in the United States. Data was collected and aggregated from a variety of sources including IMLS administrative data and records, IRS 990 data, Dun & Bradstreet data, and from other Internet listings of museums. Included in this file are the names and addresses of over 35,000 museums in the United States including aquariums, arboretums, botanical gardens, art museums, children's museums, general museums, historic houses and sites, history museums, nature centers, natural history and anthropology museums, planetariums, science and technology centers, specialized museums, and zoological parks.

If you have questions about this data file or would like to know more about the Museums Count survey, please email OPRE@imls.gov.

NOTE: This should not be used for statistical purposes.

Codes and Description of Variables in the Data File

id - unique numeric identifier used for Museums Count data collection

name - institution name

address - institution street address

city - institution city

state - institution state

zip - institution zip code

zip4 - institution zip+4

longitude - longitude of institution's address; this field consists of a negative sign, three integers and six decimal places, with an explicit decimal point, decimal degree format, World Geodetic System Datum 1984

latitude - latitude of institution's address; this field consists of two integers and six decimal places, with an explicit decimal point, decimal degree format, World Geodetic System Datum 1984

phone - institution phone number

duns - Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number is a unique nine-digit identification number provided by Dun & Bradstreet (D&B)

ein - Federal Employer Identification Number (EIN) number

fipst - Two-digit Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) State Code

fipsco - Three-digit Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) County Code

centract - Census Tract. A small, relatively permanent statistical subdivisions of a county or statistically equivalent entity delineated by local participants as part of the Census Bureau's Participant Statistical Areas Program

cenblock - Census Block. An area bounded on all sides by visible features, such as streets, roads, streams, and railroads tracks, and by invisible boundaries, such as city, town, township, and county limits, property lines, and short, imaginary extensions of streets and roads (designated by the Census Bureau)

fipsplc - five-digit place Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) code

fipsmcd - five-digit Minor Civil Division (MCD) Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) code

fipsmsa - four-digit Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) code

matcent - geocoding centroid type

0	Not a centroid (street address match)
4	ZIP+4 centroid
2	ZIP+2 centroid
X	5-digit ZIP code centroid
Blank	No centroid available

cbsa - five-digit CBSA code that identifies a CBSA area.

metrod - five-digit Metropolitan Division Code

microf - micropolitan flag, "0", indicating a Metropolitan Area or a "1", indicating a micropolitan area

mattype - geocode match type, type of match that done through geocoding process

2	Intersection
3	Intersection
5	Alternate Name match
6	Placeholder match
7	Alternate name match to Placeholder
10	Not a valid two-character state abbreviation
11	Locality not found in list of valid localities
12	Street address parse error
15	Address range does not exist
16	More than one segment with address range
17	Unable to match intersection

region – museum region, regions are determined by AAM, American Alliance of Museums (formerly the American Association of Museums)

Region Code	Region Name	States in Region
1	New England	Connecticut, Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont
2	Mid-Atlantic	District of Columbia, Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania
3	Southeastern	Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky,

		Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia
4	Midwest	Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio, Wisconsin
5	Mount Plains	Colorado, Kansas, Montana, North Dakota, Nebraska, New Mexico, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas, Wyoming
6	Western	Alaska, Arizona, California, Hawaii, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington
0	Not Available	

mod - internal check flag

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